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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, which includes the references cited in an Office Action in the corresponding Japanese application.

A copy of each of the foreign documents listed is enclosed.

Since no Office Action has yet been issued on the merits of this application, no fee is believed due.

It is respectfully requested that this information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that these references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

Respectfully Submitted,

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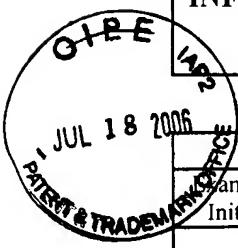


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